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14 **ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF AND THE PUTATIVE**

15 **CLASS (\* denotes *pro hac vice* forthcoming)**

16 **THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
17 **CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA - SOUTHERN DIVISION**

18 TRENTON SMITH, individually and ) Case No.: 8:25-cv-161-FWS-DFM  
19 on behalf of all others similarly )  
20 situated, ) **CLASS ACTION**

Plaintiffs,

vs.

JOHN SHAHIDI, an individual;

NELK, INC. dba NELK, FULL

SEND, a Canadian Company,

METACARD, LLC, a Delaware

Limited Liability Company; NELK

USA, INC., a Delaware Corporation;

KYLE FORGEARD, an individual.

) [Discovery Document: Referred to

) Magistrate Judge Douglas F.

) McCormick]

) [PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING

) PLAINTIFF'S REQUEST



**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Court, having considered Plaintiff Trenton Smith’s (“Plaintiff”) Request, rules as follows: After careful review and consideration of the above, and for good cause shown, Plaintiff’s Request is **GRANTED.**

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** as follows:

Plaintiff's lead counsel, John P. Kristensen, shall be allowed to appear remotely for the hearing on Motion to Compel Further Responses to Discovery and for a Protective Order scheduled for October 14, 2025.

## IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Hon. Douglas F. McCormick  
United States Magistrate Judge

